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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Re: Application of Michael ABERT
METHOD AND DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM FOR TRANSMITTING
DATA VIA A DATA TRANSMISSION UNIT
Assignee: SIEMENS AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT
Our Ref. Q78994

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising fifteen (15) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and two (2) sheets of drawings. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) with 3 references.

Copies of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

The present application is being filed as a Continuation Application, under 35 U.S.C. § 111 (a) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.53, of International Application PCT/DE02/02515, filed July 9, 2002, in accordance with the procedures outlined in Sections 1895 et seq. of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure. To facilitate the Examiner's review, Applicants are submitting herewith a copy of the Cover Page of the published International Application and a copy of Applicants' PCT Request.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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A check for the statutory filing fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.



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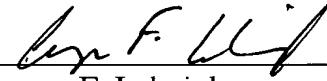
Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Germany	101 335 00.8	July 10, 2001

The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Since the anniversary of the priority date fell on a Saturday, the filing of this application on Monday, January 12, 2004, is sufficient to obtain the benefit of priority.

Respectfully submitted,
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Form PTO/SB/08 A & B and 3 references

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